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**AN ACT CONCERNING THE GOVERNOR'S RECOMMENDATIONS  
REGARDING EDUCATION.**

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. Subsection (i) of section 10-217a of the general statutes is  
2 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July*  
3 *1, 2009*):

4 (i) Notwithstanding the provisions of this section, for the fiscal years  
5 ending June 30, 2008, [and] to June 30, [2009] 2011, inclusive, the  
6 amount of the grants payable to local or regional boards of education  
7 in accordance with this section shall be reduced proportionately if the  
8 total of such grants in such year exceeds the amount appropriated for  
9 purposes of this section.

10 Sec. 2. Subsection (b) of section 10-281 of the general statutes is  
11 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July*  
12 *1, 2009*):

13 (b) Notwithstanding the provisions of this section, for the fiscal

14 years ending June 30, 2004, to June 30, [2009] 2011, inclusive, the  
15 amount of the grants payable to local or regional boards of education  
16 in accordance with this section shall be reduced proportionately if the  
17 total of such grants in such year exceeds the amount appropriated for  
18 purposes of this section.

19 Sec. 3. Subsection (d) of section 10-71 of the general statutes is  
20 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July*  
21 *1, 2009*):

22 (d) Notwithstanding the provisions of this section, for the fiscal  
23 years ending June 30, 2004, to June 30, [2009] 2011, inclusive, the  
24 amount of the grants payable to towns, regional boards of education or  
25 regional educational service centers in accordance with this section  
26 shall be reduced proportionately if the total of such grants in such year  
27 exceeds the amount appropriated for the purposes of this section for  
28 such year.

29 Sec. 4. Subdivision (4) of subsection (a) of section 10-266m of the  
30 general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu  
31 thereof (*Effective July 1, 2009*):

32 (4) Notwithstanding the provisions of this section, for the fiscal  
33 years ending June 30, 2004, to June 30, [2009] 2011, inclusive, the  
34 amount of transportation grants payable to local or regional boards of  
35 education shall be reduced proportionately if the total of such grants in  
36 such year exceeds the amount appropriated for such grants for such  
37 year.

38 Sec. 5. Section 10-17g of the general statutes is repealed and the  
39 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2009*):

40 Annually, the board of education for each local and regional school  
41 district that is required to provide a program of bilingual education,  
42 pursuant to section 10-17f, may make application to the State Board of  
43 Education and shall thereafter receive a grant in an amount equal to

44 the product obtained by multiplying the total appropriation available  
45 for such purpose by the ratio which the number of eligible children in  
46 the school district bears to the total number of such eligible children  
47 state-wide. The board of education for each local and regional school  
48 district receiving funds pursuant to this section shall annually, on or  
49 before September first, submit to the State Board of Education a  
50 progress report which shall include (1) measures of increased  
51 educational opportunities for eligible students, including language  
52 support services and language transition support services provided to  
53 such students, (2) program evaluation and measures of the  
54 effectiveness of its bilingual education and English as a second  
55 language programs, including data on students in bilingual education  
56 programs and students educated exclusively in English as a second  
57 language programs, and (3) certification by the board of education  
58 submitting the report that any funds received pursuant to this section  
59 have been used for the purposes specified. The State Board of  
60 Education shall annually evaluate programs conducted pursuant to  
61 section 10-17f. For purposes of this section, measures of the  
62 effectiveness of bilingual education and English as a second language  
63 programs include state-wide mastery examination results and  
64 graduation and school dropout rates. Notwithstanding the provisions  
65 of this section, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2009, to June 30, 2011,  
66 inclusive, the amount of grants payable to local or regional boards of  
67 education under this section shall be reduced proportionately if the  
68 total of such grants in such year exceeds the amount appropriated for  
69 such grants for such year.

70 Sec. 6. Subsection (f) of section 10-66j of the general statutes is  
71 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July*  
72 *1, 2009*):

73 (f) Notwithstanding the provisions of this section, for the fiscal  
74 years ending June 30, 2004, to June 30, [2009] 2011, inclusive, the  
75 amount of grants payable to regional educational service centers shall  
76 be reduced proportionately if the total of such grants in such year

77 exceeds the amount appropriated for such grants for such year.

78 Sec. 7. Subsection (d) of section 10-76g of the general statutes is  
79 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July*  
80 *1, 2009*):

81 (d) Notwithstanding the provisions of this section, for the fiscal  
82 years ending June 30, [2004, to June 30, 2007, inclusive] 2010, and June  
83 30, 2011, the amount of the grants payable to local or regional boards  
84 of education in accordance with this section, except grants paid in  
85 accordance with subdivision (2) of subsection (a) of this section, for the  
86 fiscal years ending June 30, [2006] 2010, and June 30, [2007] 2011, shall  
87 be reduced proportionately if the total of such grants in such year  
88 exceeds the amount appropriated for the purposes of this section for  
89 such year.

90 Sec. 8. Subsection (c) of section 10-264~~l~~ of the general statutes is  
91 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July*  
92 *1, 2009*):

93 (c) (1) The maximum amount each interdistrict magnet school  
94 program, except those described in subparagraphs (A) and (B) of  
95 subdivision (3) of this subsection, shall be eligible to receive per  
96 enrolled student who is not a resident of the town operating the  
97 magnet school shall be (A) six thousand sixteen dollars for the fiscal  
98 year ending June 30, 2008, and (B) six thousand seven hundred thirty  
99 dollars for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2009, [(C) seven thousand  
100 four hundred forty dollars for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2010, and  
101 (D) eight thousand one hundred fifty-eight dollars for the fiscal year  
102 ending June 30, 2011] and each fiscal year thereafter. The per pupil  
103 grant for each enrolled student who is a resident of the town operating  
104 the magnet school program shall be three thousand dollars for the  
105 fiscal year ending June 30, 2008, and each fiscal year thereafter.

106 (2) For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2003, and each fiscal year  
107 thereafter, the commissioner may, within available appropriations,

108 provide supplemental grants for the purposes of enhancing  
109 educational programs in such interdistrict magnet schools, as the  
110 commissioner determines. Such grants shall be made after the  
111 commissioner has reviewed and approved the total operating budget  
112 for such schools, including all revenue and expenditure estimates.

113 (3) (A) Each interdistrict magnet school operated by a regional  
114 educational service center that enrolls less than fifty-five per cent of the  
115 school's students from a single town, or a regional educational service  
116 center that enrolls less than sixty per cent of its students from Hartford  
117 pursuant to the 2008 stipulation and order for Milo Sheff, et al. v.  
118 William A. O'Neill, et al., shall receive a per pupil grant in the amount  
119 of (i) six thousand two hundred fifty dollars for the fiscal year ending  
120 June 30, 2006, (ii) six thousand five hundred dollars for the fiscal year  
121 ending June 30, 2007, (iii) seven thousand sixty dollars for the fiscal  
122 year ending June 30, 2008, and (iv) seven thousand six hundred twenty  
123 dollars for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2009, [(v) eight thousand one  
124 hundred eighty dollars for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2010, and (vi)  
125 eight thousand seven hundred forty-one dollars for the fiscal year  
126 ending June 30, 2011] and each fiscal year thereafter.

127 (B) Each interdistrict magnet school operated by a regional  
128 educational service center that enrolls at least fifty-five per cent of the  
129 school's students from a single town, or a regional educational service  
130 center that enrolls at least sixty per cent of its students from Hartford  
131 pursuant to the 2008 stipulation and order for Milo Sheff, et al. v.  
132 William A. O'Neill, et al., shall receive a per pupil grant for each  
133 enrolled student who is not a resident of the district that enrolls at least  
134 fifty-five per cent of the school's students in the amount of (i) six  
135 thousand sixteen dollars for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2008, and  
136 (ii) six thousand seven hundred thirty dollars for the fiscal year ending  
137 June 30, 2009, [(iii) seven thousand four hundred forty dollars for the  
138 fiscal year ending June 30, 2010, and (iv) eight thousand one hundred  
139 fifty-eight dollars for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2011] and each  
140 fiscal year thereafter. The per pupil grant for each enrolled student

141 who is a resident of the district that enrolls at least fifty-five per cent of  
142 the school's students shall be three thousand dollars.

143 (4) The amounts of the grants determined pursuant to this  
144 subsection shall be proportionately adjusted, if necessary, within  
145 available appropriations, and in no case shall any grant pursuant to  
146 this section exceed the reasonable operating budget of the interdistrict  
147 magnet school program, less revenues from other sources. Any  
148 interdistrict magnet school program operating less than full-time, but  
149 at least half-time, shall be eligible to receive a grant equal to sixty-five  
150 per cent of the grant amount determined pursuant to this subsection.

151 (5) Within available appropriations, the commissioner may make  
152 grants to the following entities that operate an interdistrict magnet  
153 school that assists the state in meeting the goals of the 2008 stipulation  
154 and order for Milo Sheff, et al. v. William A. O'Neill, et al., as  
155 determined by the commissioner and that provide academic support  
156 programs and summer school educational programs approved by the  
157 commissioner to students participating in such interdistrict magnet  
158 school program: (A) Regional educational service centers, (B) local and  
159 regional boards of education, (C) the Board of Trustees of the  
160 Community-Technical Colleges on behalf of a regional community-  
161 technical college, (D) the Board of Trustees of the Connecticut State  
162 University System on behalf of a state university, (E) the Board of  
163 Trustees for The University of Connecticut on behalf of the university,  
164 (F) the board of governors for an independent college or university, as  
165 defined in section 10a-37, or the equivalent of such a board, on behalf  
166 of the independent college or university, (G) cooperative arrangements  
167 pursuant to section 10-158a, and (H) any other third-party not-for-  
168 profit corporation approved by the commissioner.

169 (6) Within available appropriations, the Commissioner of Education  
170 may make grants, in an amount not to exceed seventy-five thousand  
171 dollars, for start-up costs associated with the development of new  
172 interdistrict magnet school programs that assist the state in meeting

173 the goals of the 2008 stipulation and order for Milo Sheff, et al. v.  
174 William A. O'Neill, et al., as determined by the commissioner, to the  
175 following entities that develop such a program: (A) Regional  
176 educational service centers, (B) local and regional boards of education,  
177 (C) the Board of Trustees of the Community-Technical Colleges on  
178 behalf of a regional community-technical college, (D) the Board of  
179 Trustees of the Connecticut State University System on behalf of a state  
180 university, (E) the Board of Trustees for The University of Connecticut  
181 on behalf of the university, (F) the board of governors for an  
182 independent college or university, as defined in section 10a-37, or the  
183 equivalent of such a board, on behalf of the independent college or  
184 university, (G) cooperative arrangements pursuant to section 10-158a,  
185 and (H) any other third-party not-for-profit corporation approved by  
186 the commissioner.

187 Sec. 9. Subsection (b) of section 10-16q of the general statutes is  
188 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July*  
189 *1, 2009*):

190 (b) (1) For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2006, the per child cost of  
191 the Department of Education school readiness component of the  
192 program offered by a school readiness provider shall not exceed six  
193 thousand six hundred fifty dollars.

194 (2) For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2009, and each fiscal year  
195 thereafter, the per child cost of the Department of Education school  
196 readiness program offered by a school readiness provider shall not  
197 exceed eight thousand three hundred forty-six dollars.

198 (3) Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection (e) of section 10-  
199 16p, as amended by this act, the Department of Education shall not  
200 provide funding to any school readiness provider that (A) on or before  
201 January 1, 2004, first entered into a contract with a town to provide  
202 school readiness services pursuant to this section and is not accredited  
203 on January 1, 2007, or (B) after January 1, 2004, first entered into a  
204 contract with a town to provide school readiness services pursuant to

205 this section and does not become accredited by the date three years  
206 after the date on which the provider first entered into such a contract,  
207 except that the Commissioner of Education may grant an extension of  
208 time for a school readiness program to become accredited or  
209 reaccredited, provided (i) prior to such extension, the Department of  
210 Education conducts an on-site assessment of any such program and  
211 maintains a report of such assessment completed in a uniform manner,  
212 as prescribed by the commissioner, that includes a list of conditions  
213 such program must fulfill to become accredited or reaccredited, (ii) the  
214 program is licensed by the Department of Public Health if required to  
215 be licensed by chapter 368a, (iii) the program has a corrective action  
216 plan that shall be prescribed by and monitored by the Commissioner  
217 of Education, and (iv) the program meets such other conditions as may  
218 be prescribed by the commissioner. During the period of such  
219 extension, such program shall be eligible for funding pursuant to said  
220 section 10-16p.

221 (4) A school readiness provider may provide child day care services  
222 and the cost of such child day care services shall not be subject to such  
223 per child cost limitation.

224 Sec. 10. Subsection (e) of section 10-16p of the general statutes is  
225 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July*  
226 *1, 2009*):

227 (e) (1) For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2009, and each fiscal year  
228 thereafter, priority school districts and former priority school districts  
229 shall receive grants based on the sum of the products obtained by (A)  
230 multiplying the district's number of contracted slots on March [30,  
231 2008] thirtieth of the fiscal year prior to the fiscal year in which the  
232 grant is to be paid, by the per child cost pursuant to subdivision (2) of  
233 subsection (b) of section 10-16q, as amended by this act, except that  
234 such per child cost shall be reduced for slots that are less than year-  
235 round, and (B) multiplying the number of additional or decreased slots  
236 the districts have requested for the fiscal year [ending June 30, 2009] in



237 which the grant is to be paid, by the per child cost pursuant to  
238 subdivision (2) of subsection (b) of said section 10-16q, except such per  
239 child cost shall be reduced for slots that are less than year-round. If  
240 said sum exceeds the available appropriation, such number of  
241 requested additional slots shall be reduced, as determined by the  
242 Commissioner of Education, to stay within the available appropriation.

243 (2) If funds appropriated for the purposes of subsection (c) of this  
244 section are not expended, the Commissioner of Education may use  
245 such unexpended funds to support local school readiness programs.  
246 The commissioner may use such funds for purposes including, but not  
247 limited to, (A) assisting local school readiness programs in meeting  
248 and maintaining accreditation requirements, (B) providing training in  
249 implementing the preschool assessment and curriculum frameworks,  
250 including training to enhance literacy teaching skills, (C) developing a  
251 state-wide preschool curriculum, (D) developing student assessments  
252 for students in grades kindergarten to two, inclusive, (E) developing  
253 and implementing best practices for parents in supporting preschool  
254 and kindergarten student learning, (F) developing and implementing  
255 strategies for children to transition from preschool to kindergarten, (G)  
256 providing for professional development, including assisting in career  
257 ladder advancement, for school readiness staff, and (H) providing  
258 supplemental grants to other towns that are eligible for grants  
259 pursuant to subsection (c) of this section.

260 (3) Notwithstanding subdivision (2) of this subsection, for the fiscal  
261 [years ending June 30, 2008, and June 30, 2009] year ending June 30,  
262 2010, and each fiscal year thereafter, the Department of Education may  
263 retain up to one [hundred ninety-eight thousand two hundred dollars]  
264 per cent of the amount appropriated for purposes of this [section]  
265 subsection for coordination, [program evaluation] professional  
266 development and administration.

267 Sec. 11. Subsection (g) of section 10-16p of the general statutes is  
268 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July*

269 1, 2009):

270 (g) Subject to the provisions of this subsection, no funds received by  
271 a town pursuant to subsection (c) or (d) of this section or section 10-  
272 16u shall be used to supplant federal, state or local funding received by  
273 such town for early childhood education, provided [(1)] a town may  
274 use [the greater of (A) twenty-five thousand dollars, or (B) up to five  
275 per cent but no more than fifty thousand dollars of the amount  
276 received] an amount determined in accordance with this subsection for  
277 coordination, program evaluation and administration. Such amount  
278 shall be at least twenty-five thousand dollars but not more than one  
279 hundred thousand dollars and shall be determined by the Department  
280 of Education in consultation with the Department of Social Services  
281 based on the school readiness grant award allocated to the town  
282 pursuant to subsection (c) or (d) of this section or section 10-16u [for  
283 coordination, program evaluation and administration, and (2) if a town  
284 provides twenty-five thousand dollars in] and the number of operating  
285 sites for coordination, program evaluation and administration. Such  
286 amount shall be increased by an amount equal to local funding  
287 provided for early childhood education coordination, program  
288 evaluation and administration, [such town may use up to ten per cent  
289 but no more than seventy-five thousand dollars of such amount for  
290 coordination, program evaluation and administration] not to exceed  
291 twenty-five thousand dollars. Each town that receives a grant pursuant  
292 to said subsection (c) or (d) or section 10-16u shall designate a person  
293 to be responsible for such coordination, program evaluation and  
294 administration and to act as a liaison between the town and the  
295 Departments of Education and Social Services. Each school readiness  
296 program that receives funds pursuant to this section or section 10-16u  
297 shall provide information to the department or the school readiness  
298 council, as requested, that is necessary for purposes of any school  
299 readiness program evaluation.

300 Sec. 12. Subsection (b) of section 10-16p of the general statutes is  
301 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July*

302 1, 2009):

303 (b) The Department of Education shall be the lead agency for school  
304 readiness. For purposes of this section and section 10-16u, school  
305 readiness program providers eligible for funding from the Department  
306 of Education shall include local and regional boards of education,  
307 regional educational service centers, family resource centers and  
308 providers of child day care centers, as defined in section 19a-77, Head  
309 Start programs, preschool programs and other programs that meet  
310 such standards established by the Commissioner of Education. The  
311 department shall establish standards for school readiness programs.  
312 The standards may include, but need not be limited to, guidelines for  
313 staff-child interactions, curriculum content, including preliteracy  
314 development, lesson plans, parent involvement, staff qualifications  
315 and training, transition to school and administration. The department  
316 shall develop age-appropriate developmental skills and goals for  
317 children attending such programs. The commissioner, in consultation  
318 with the Commissioners of Higher Education and Social Services and  
319 other appropriate entities, shall develop a continuing education  
320 training program for the staff of school readiness programs. For  
321 purposes of this section, prior to July 1, [2015] 2017, "staff  
322 qualifications" means there is in each classroom an individual who has  
323 at least the following: (1) A credential issued by an organization  
324 approved by the Commissioner of Education and nine credits or more,  
325 and on and after July 1, 2005, twelve credits or more, in early  
326 childhood education or child development from an institution of  
327 higher education accredited by the Board of Governors of Higher  
328 Education or regionally accredited; (2) an associate's degree with nine  
329 credits or more, and on and after July 1, 2005, twelve credits or more,  
330 in early childhood education or child development from such an  
331 institution; (3) a four-year degree with nine credits or more, and on  
332 and after July 1, 2005, twelve credits or more, in early childhood  
333 education or child development from such an institution; or (4)  
334 certification pursuant to section 10-145b with an endorsement in early  
335 childhood education or special education, and on and after July 1,

336 [2015] 2017, "staff qualifications" means there is in each classroom an  
337 individual who has at least the following: (A) A bachelor's degree in  
338 early childhood education or childhood development, or in a related  
339 field approved by the Commissioner of Education from an institution  
340 of higher education accredited by the Board of Governors of Higher  
341 Education or regionally accredited; or (B) certification pursuant to  
342 section 10-145b with an endorsement in early childhood education or  
343 special education.

344 Sec. 13. Subsection (c) of section 10-66ee of the general statutes is  
345 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July*  
346 *1, 2009*):

347 (c) (1) The state shall pay in accordance with this subsection, to the  
348 fiscal authority for a state charter school for each student enrolled in  
349 such school, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2006, seven thousand  
350 six hundred twenty-five dollars, for the fiscal year ending June 30,  
351 2007, eight thousand dollars, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2008,  
352 eight thousand six hundred fifty dollars, and for the fiscal year ending  
353 June 30, 2009, and for each fiscal year thereafter, nine thousand three  
354 hundred dollars. Such payments shall be made as follows: Twenty-five  
355 per cent of the amount not later than July fifteenth and September  
356 fifteenth based on estimated student enrollment on May first, and  
357 twenty-five per cent of the amount not later than January fifteenth and  
358 the remaining amount not later than April fifteenth, each based on  
359 student enrollment on October first. If the total amount appropriated  
360 for grants pursuant to this subdivision exceeds eight thousand six  
361 hundred fifty dollars per student for the fiscal year ending June 30,  
362 2008, and exceeds nine thousand three hundred dollars for the fiscal  
363 year ending June 30, 2009, and for each fiscal year thereafter, the  
364 amount of such grants payable per student shall be increased  
365 proportionately, except that such per student increase shall not exceed  
366 seventy dollars. Any amount of such appropriation remaining after  
367 such per student increase may be used by the Department of  
368 Education for supplemental grants to interdistrict magnet schools

369 pursuant to subdivision (2) of subsection (c) of section 10-264l, as  
370 amended by this act, to pay for a portion of the audit required  
371 pursuant to section 10-66ll, to pay for expenses incurred by the  
372 Department of Education to ensure the continuity of a charter school  
373 where required by a court of competent jurisdiction and, in  
374 consultation with the Secretary of the Office of Policy and  
375 Management, to pay expenses incurred in the creation of a school  
376 pursuant to section 10-74g. For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2005,  
377 such increase shall be limited to one hundred ten dollars per student.

378 (2) In the case of a student identified as requiring special education,  
379 the school district in which the student resides shall: (A) Hold the  
380 planning and placement team meeting for such student and shall  
381 invite representatives from the charter school to participate in such  
382 meeting; and (B) pay the state charter school, on a quarterly basis, an  
383 amount equal to the difference between the reasonable cost of  
384 educating such student and the sum of the amount received by the  
385 state charter school for such student pursuant to subdivision (1) of this  
386 subsection and amounts received from other state, federal, local or  
387 private sources calculated on a per pupil basis. Such school district  
388 shall be eligible for reimbursement pursuant to section 10-76g, as  
389 amended by this act. The charter school a student requiring special  
390 education attends shall be responsible for ensuring that such student  
391 receives the services mandated by the student's individualized  
392 education program whether such services are provided by the charter  
393 school or by the school district in which the student resides.

394 Sec. 14. Subdivision (1) of subsection (a) of section 10-264h of the  
395 general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu  
396 thereof (*Effective July 1, 2009*):

397 (a) (1) For the fiscal year ending June 30, 1996, until the fiscal year  
398 ending June 30, 2003, a local or regional board of education, regional  
399 educational service center or a cooperative arrangement pursuant to  
400 section 10-158a for purposes of an interdistrict magnet school may be

401 eligible for reimbursement up to the full reasonable cost of any capital  
402 expenditure for the purchase, construction, extension, replacement,  
403 leasing or major alteration of interdistrict magnet school facilities,  
404 including any expenditure for the purchase of equipment, in  
405 accordance with this section. (A) For the fiscal year ending June 30,  
406 2004, and each fiscal year thereafter, such entities, and (B) for the fiscal  
407 year ending June 30, 2008, and each fiscal year thereafter, the following  
408 entities that operate an interdistrict magnet school that assists the state  
409 in meeting the goals of the 2008 stipulation and order for Milo Sheff, et  
410 al. v. William A. O'Neill, et al., as determined by the commissioner: (i)  
411 The Board of Trustees of the Community-Technical Colleges on behalf  
412 of a regional community-technical college, (ii) the Board of Trustees of  
413 the Connecticut State University System on behalf of a state university,  
414 (iii) the Board of Trustees for The University of Connecticut on behalf  
415 of the university, (iv) the board of governors for an independent  
416 college or university, as defined in section 10a-37, or the equivalent of  
417 such a board, on behalf of the independent college or university, and  
418 (v) any other third-party not-for-profit corporation approved by the  
419 commissioner may be eligible for reimbursement up to ninety-five per  
420 cent of such cost. To be eligible for reimbursement under this section a  
421 magnet school construction project shall meet the requirements for a  
422 school building project established in chapter 173, except that the  
423 Commissioner of Education may waive any requirement in such  
424 chapter for good cause. On and after July 1, 1997, the commissioner  
425 shall approve only applications for reimbursement under this section  
426 that he finds will reduce racial, ethnic and economic isolation. On and  
427 after July 1, 2009, applications for reimbursement under this section for  
428 the construction of new interdistrict magnet schools shall not be  
429 accepted until the commissioner approves a comprehensive state-wide  
430 interdistrict magnet school plan, unless the commissioner determines  
431 that such construction will assist the state in meeting the goals of the  
432 2008 stipulation and order for Milo Sheff, et al. v. William A. O'Neill, et  
433 al.

434 Sec. 15. Subsection (b) of section 10-264l of the general statutes is

435 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July*  
436 *1, 2009*):

437 (b) Applications for interdistrict magnet school program operating  
438 grants awarded pursuant to this section shall be submitted annually to  
439 the Commissioner of Education at such time and in such manner as the  
440 commissioner prescribes, except that on and after July 1, 2009,  
441 applications for such operating grants for new interdistrict magnet  
442 schools, other than those that the commissioner determines will assist  
443 the state in meeting the goals of the 2008 stipulation and order for Milo  
444 Sheff, et al. v. William A. O'Neill, et al., shall not be accepted until the  
445 commissioner approves a comprehensive state-wide interdistrict  
446 magnet school plan. In determining whether an application shall be  
447 approved and funds awarded pursuant to this section, the  
448 commissioner shall consider, but such consideration shall not be  
449 limited to: (1) Whether the program offered by the school is likely to  
450 increase student achievement; (2) whether the program is likely to  
451 reduce racial, ethnic and economic isolation; (3) the percentage of the  
452 student enrollment in the program from each participating district;  
453 and (4) the proposed operating budget and the sources of funding for  
454 the interdistrict magnet school. In the case of an interdistrict magnet  
455 school that will assist the state in meeting the goals of the 2008  
456 stipulation and order for Milo Sheff, et al. v. William A. O'Neill, et al.,  
457 as determined by the commissioner, the commissioner shall also  
458 consider whether the school is meeting the desegregation standards set  
459 forth in said stipulation and order. If such school has not met the  
460 desegregation standards by the second year of operation, it shall not be  
461 entitled to receive a grant pursuant to this section unless the  
462 commissioner finds that it is appropriate to award a grant for an  
463 additional year or years for purposes of compliance with said  
464 stipulation and order. If requested by the commissioner, the applicant  
465 shall meet with the commissioner or the commissioner's designee to  
466 discuss the budget and sources of funding. Except as provided in this  
467 section, the commissioner shall not award a grant to a program that is  
468 in operation prior to July 1, 2005, if more than eighty per cent of its

469 total enrollment is from one school district, except that the  
470 commissioner may award a grant for good cause, for any one year, on  
471 behalf of an otherwise eligible magnet school program, if more than  
472 eighty per cent of the total enrollment is from one district. The  
473 commissioner shall not award a grant to a program that begins  
474 operations on or after July 1, 2005, if more than seventy-five per cent of  
475 its total enrollment is from one school district or if less than twenty-  
476 five or more than seventy-five per cent of the students enrolled are  
477 pupils of racial minorities, as defined in section 10-226a, except that the  
478 commissioner may award a grant for good cause, for one year, on  
479 behalf of an otherwise eligible interdistrict magnet school program, if  
480 more than seventy-five per cent of the total enrollment is from one  
481 district or less than twenty-five or more than seventy-five per cent of  
482 the students enrolled are pupils of racial minorities. The commissioner  
483 may not award grants pursuant to such an exception for a second  
484 consecutive year except as provided for in the 2008 stipulation for Milo  
485 Sheff, et al. v. William A. O'Neill, et al., as determined by the  
486 commissioner.

487 Sec. 16. Section 10-16s of the general statutes is repealed and the  
488 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2009*):

489 (a) The Commissioners of Education and Social Services shall  
490 develop an agreement to define the duties and responsibilities of their  
491 departments concerning school readiness programs. The  
492 commissioners shall consult with other affected state agencies and  
493 with the Early Childhood Education Cabinet. The agreement shall  
494 include, but not be limited to, a multiyear interagency agreement to  
495 establish and implement an integrated school readiness plan.  
496 Functions to be described and responsibilities to be undertaken by the  
497 two departments shall be delineated in the agreement.

498 (b) (1) There shall be an Early Childhood Education Cabinet. The  
499 cochairpersons of the cabinet shall be the Governor, or the Governor's  
500 designee, and the Commissioner of Education, or the commissioner's



501 designee. The cabinet shall consist of the Secretary of the Office of  
502 Policy and Management or the secretary's designee, the  
503 Commissioners of Social Services, Higher Education, Public Health,  
504 Children and Families and Developmental Services or the  
505 commissioners' designees, the cochairpersons of each of the joint  
506 standing committees of the General Assembly having cognizance of  
507 matters relating to education and human services or the  
508 cochairpersons' designees, the executive director of the Commission on  
509 Children, or the director's designee, and one person representing a  
510 local or regional school readiness council appointed by the president  
511 pro tempore of the Senate, and a representative of the Connecticut  
512 Head Start Association appointed by the speaker of the House of  
513 Representatives. The Department of Education shall provide  
514 administrative services to the Early Childhood Education Cabinet and  
515 the Governor's Early Childhood Research and Policy Council  
516 established pursuant to Executive Order No. 13, issued by Governor  
517 M. Jodi Rell, on February 7, 2006.

518 (2) Within available appropriations, the Early Childhood Education  
519 Cabinet shall [(A)] advise the Commissioner of Education on policies  
520 and initiatives to meet the goals established in section 10-16o. [(B) no  
521 later than July 1, 2008, begin a state-wide longitudinal evaluation of the  
522 school readiness program, in consultation with the Department of  
523 Social Services and the Department of Education, that examines the  
524 educational progress of children from prekindergarten programs to  
525 grade three, inclusive, (C) develop budget requests for the early  
526 childhood program, and (D) promote consistency of quality and  
527 comprehensiveness of early childhood services.]

528 (c) On or before January 1, 2008, the commissioners shall adopt  
529 assessment measures of school readiness programs for use by such  
530 programs in conducting their annual evaluations pursuant to section  
531 10-16q, as amended by this act. The commissioners may adopt the  
532 assessment measures used for Head Start programs.

533 (d) (1) Not later than December 1, 2008, [and annually thereafter,]  
534 the Early Childhood Education Cabinet shall develop and implement  
535 an accountability plan for early child education services. The plan shall  
536 identify and define appropriate population indicators and program  
537 and system measures of the readiness of children to enter  
538 kindergarten. Not later than December 31, 2008, and annually  
539 thereafter, the [cabinet] Department of Education shall report, in  
540 accordance with the provisions of section 11-4a, on the measures  
541 implemented in accordance with this subdivision to the Office of  
542 Policy and Management and to the joint standing committees of the  
543 General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to  
544 appropriations and the budgets of state agencies, education, human  
545 services and higher education and employment advancement.

546 (2) As part of the plan implemented pursuant to subdivision (1) of  
547 this subsection, [the Early Childhood Education Cabinet, in  
548 consultation with] the Department of Education and the Office of  
549 Policy and Management, shall consider the development of data  
550 sharing agreements between state agencies and shall analyze whether  
551 the data can be combined to assess the progress of children toward  
552 school readiness.

553 (3) Providers of early childhood education that receive state funding  
554 shall employ the program measures developed pursuant to  
555 subdivision (1) of this subsection to evaluate the effectiveness of their  
556 services. Not later than June 30, 2009, and annually thereafter, each  
557 such provider shall report, in accordance with the provisions of section  
558 11-4a, the results of such evaluation to the [Early Childhood Education  
559 Cabinet] Department of Education.

560 [(e) The Early Childhood Education Cabinet established under this  
561 section shall develop minimum standards and a range of higher  
562 standards of quality for all early care and education programs  
563 receiving state funding. Not later than December 31, 2008, and  
564 annually thereafter, the cabinet shall report, in accordance with the

565 provisions of section 11-4a, on the plan developed in accordance with  
566 this subsection to the joint standing committees of the General  
567 Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to appropriations and  
568 the budgets of state agencies, education, human services and higher  
569 education and employment advancement.

570 (f) The Early Childhood Education Cabinet established under this  
571 section shall, in consultation with the Office of Workforce  
572 Competitiveness, develop a quality workforce development plan for  
573 school readiness. Such plan shall explicitly address how to meet the  
574 requirements of subsection (b) of section 10-16p through a dual  
575 approach of: (1) Supporting the workforce in obtaining required  
576 degrees and credentials; and (2) encouraging students in institutions of  
577 higher education to pursue degrees in early childhood education. Not  
578 later than December 31, 2008, and annually thereafter, the cabinet shall  
579 report, in accordance with the provisions of section 11-4a, on the plan  
580 developed in accordance with this subsection to the joint standing  
581 committees of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters  
582 relating to appropriations and the budgets of state agencies, education,  
583 human services and higher education and employment advancement.]

584 Sec. 17. Subsection (g) of section 10-233c of the general statutes is  
585 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July*  
586 *1, 2009*):

587 (g) On and after July 1, [2009] 2011, suspensions pursuant to this  
588 section shall be in-school suspensions, unless during the hearing held  
589 pursuant to subsection (a) of this section, the administration  
590 determines that the pupil being suspended poses such a danger to  
591 persons or property or such a disruption of the educational process  
592 that the pupil shall be excluded from school during the period of  
593 suspension. An in-school suspension may be served in the school that  
594 the pupil attends, or in any school building under the jurisdiction of  
595 the local or regional board of education, as determined by such board.

596 Sec. 18. Section 10-266aa of the general statutes is repealed and the

597 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2010*):

598 (a) As used in this section:

599 (1) "Receiving district" means any school district that accepts  
600 students under the program established pursuant to this section;

601 (2) "Sending district" means any school district that sends students it  
602 would otherwise be legally responsible for educating to another school  
603 district under the program; and

604 (3) "Minority students" means students who are "pupils of racial  
605 minorities", as defined in section 10-226a.

606 (b) There is established, within available appropriations, an  
607 interdistrict public school attendance program. The purpose of the  
608 program shall be to: (1) Improve academic achievement; (2) reduce  
609 racial, ethnic and economic isolation or preserve racial and ethnic  
610 balance; and (3) provide a choice of educational programs for students  
611 enrolled in the public schools. The Department of Education shall  
612 provide oversight for the program, including the setting of reasonable  
613 limits for the transportation of students participating in the program,  
614 and may provide for the incremental expansion of the program for the  
615 school year commencing in 2000 for each town required to participate  
616 in the program pursuant to subsection (c) of this section.

617 (c) The program shall be phased in as provided in this subsection.  
618 (1) For the school year commencing in 1998, and for each school year  
619 thereafter, the program shall be in operation in the Hartford, New  
620 Haven and Bridgeport regions. The Hartford program shall operate as  
621 a continuation of the program described in section 10-266j. Students  
622 who reside in Hartford, New Haven or Bridgeport may attend school  
623 in another school district in the region and students who reside in such  
624 other school districts may attend school in Hartford, New Haven or  
625 Bridgeport, provided, beginning with the 2001-2002 school year, the  
626 proportion of students who are not minority students to the total

627 number of students leaving Hartford, Bridgeport or New Haven to  
628 participate in the program shall not be greater than the proportion of  
629 students who were not minority students in the prior school year to  
630 the total number of students enrolled in Hartford, Bridgeport or New  
631 Haven in the prior school year. The [regional educational service  
632 center operating the program] Department of Education shall make  
633 program participation decisions in accordance with the requirements  
634 of this subdivision. (2) For the school year commencing in 2000, and  
635 for each school year thereafter, the program shall be in operation in  
636 New London, provided beginning with the 2001-2002 school year, the  
637 proportion of students who are not minority students to the total  
638 number of students leaving New London to participate in the program  
639 shall not be greater than the proportion of students who were not  
640 minority students in the prior year to the total number of students  
641 enrolled in New London in the prior school year. The [regional  
642 educational service center operating the program] Department of  
643 Education shall make program participation decisions in accordance  
644 with this subdivision. (3) The Department of Education may provide,  
645 within available appropriations, grants for the fiscal year ending June  
646 30, 2003, to the remaining regional educational service centers to assist  
647 school districts in planning for a voluntary program of student  
648 enrollment in every priority school district, pursuant to section 10-  
649 266p, which is interested in participating in accordance with this  
650 subdivision. For the school year commencing in 2003, and for each  
651 school year thereafter, the voluntary enrollment program may be in  
652 operation in every priority school district in the state. Students from  
653 other school districts in the area of a priority school district, as  
654 determined by the [regional educational service center] Department of  
655 Education pursuant to subsection (d) of this section, may attend school  
656 in the priority school district, provided such students bring racial,  
657 ethnic and economic diversity to the priority school district and do not  
658 increase the racial, ethnic and economic isolation in the priority school  
659 district.

660 (d) School districts which received students from New London

661 under the program during the 2000-2001 school year shall allow such  
662 students to attend school in the district until they graduate from high  
663 school. The attendance of such students in such program shall not be  
664 supported by grants pursuant to subsections (f) and (g) of this section  
665 but shall be supported, in the same amounts as provided for in said  
666 subsections, by interdistrict cooperative grants pursuant to section 10-  
667 74d to the [regional educational service centers operating such  
668 programs] Department of Education.

669 (e) Once the program is in operation [in the region served by a  
670 regional educational service center] pursuant to subsection (c) of this  
671 section, the Department of Education shall [provide an annual grant to  
672 such regional educational service center to] assist school districts [in its  
673 area] in administering the program and [to provide staff to] assist  
674 students participating in the program to make the transition to a new  
675 school and [to] act as a liaison between the parents of such students  
676 and the new school district. [Each regional educational service center]  
677 The Department of Education shall determine which school districts  
678 [in its area] are located close enough to a priority school district to  
679 make participation in the program feasible in terms of student  
680 transportation pursuant to subsection (f) of this section, provided any  
681 student participating in the program prior to July 1, 1999, shall be  
682 allowed to continue to attend the same school such student attended  
683 prior to said date in the receiving district until the student completes  
684 the highest grade in such school. [Each regional educational service  
685 center] The Department of Education shall convene, annually, a  
686 meeting of representatives of such school districts in order for such  
687 school districts to report, by [March thirty-first] April fifteenth, the  
688 number of spaces available for the following school year for out-of-  
689 district students under the program. [Annually, each regional  
690 educational service center shall provide a count of such spaces to the  
691 Department of Education by April fifteenth.] If there are more students  
692 who seek to attend school in a receiving district than there are spaces  
693 available, the [regional educational service center] Department of  
694 Education shall assist the school district in determining attendance by

695 the use of a lottery or lotteries designed to preserve or increase racial,  
696 ethnic and economic diversity, except that the [regional educational  
697 service center] Department of Education shall give preference to  
698 siblings and to students who would otherwise attend a school that has  
699 lost its accreditation by the New England Association of Schools and  
700 Colleges or has been identified as in need of improvement pursuant to  
701 the No Child Left Behind Act, P.L. 107-110. The admission policies  
702 shall be consistent with section 10-15c and this section. No receiving  
703 district shall recruit students under the program for athletic or  
704 extracurricular purposes. Each receiving district shall allow out-of-  
705 district students it accepts to attend school in the district until they  
706 graduate from high school.

707 (f) The Department of Education shall provide grants to [regional  
708 educational service centers or] local or regional boards of education for  
709 the reasonable cost of transportation for students participating in the  
710 program. For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2003, and each fiscal year  
711 thereafter, the department shall provide such grants within available  
712 appropriations, provided the state-wide average of such grants does  
713 not exceed an amount equal to three thousand two hundred fifty  
714 dollars for each student transported, except that the Commissioner of  
715 Education may grant [to regional educational service centers]  
716 additional sums from funds remaining in the appropriation for such  
717 transportation services if needed to offset transportation costs that  
718 exceed such maximum amount. The [regional educational service  
719 centers] local or regional boards of education shall provide reasonable  
720 transportation services to high school students who wish to participate  
721 in supervised extracurricular activities. For purposes of this section,  
722 the number of students transported shall be determined on September  
723 first of each fiscal year.

724 (g) The Department of Education shall provide, within available  
725 appropriations, an annual grant to the local or regional board of  
726 education for each receiving district in an amount not to exceed two  
727 thousand five hundred dollars for each out-of-district student who

728 attends school in the receiving district under the program. Each town  
729 which receives funds pursuant to this subsection shall make such  
730 funds available to its local or regional board of education in  
731 supplement to any other local appropriation, other state or federal  
732 grant or other revenue to which the local or regional board of  
733 education is entitled.

734 (h) Notwithstanding any provision of this chapter, each sending  
735 district and each receiving district shall divide the number of children  
736 participating in the program who reside in such district or attend  
737 school in such district by two for purposes of the counts for  
738 subdivision (22) of section 10-262f and subdivision (2) of subsection (a)  
739 of section 10-261.

740 (i) In the case of an out-of-district student who requires special  
741 education and related services, the sending district shall pay the  
742 receiving district an amount equal to the difference between the  
743 reasonable cost of providing such special education and related  
744 services to such student and the amount received by the receiving  
745 district pursuant to subsection (g) of this section and in the case of  
746 students participating pursuant to subsection (d) of this section, the  
747 per pupil amount received pursuant to section 10-74d. The sending  
748 district shall be eligible for reimbursement pursuant to section 10-76g,  
749 as amended by this act.

750 (j) Nothing in this section shall prohibit school districts from  
751 charging tuition to other school districts that do not have a high school  
752 pursuant to section 10-33.

753 (k) On or before October fifteenth of each year, the Commissioner of  
754 Education shall determine if the enrollment in the program pursuant  
755 to subsection (c) of this section for the fiscal year is below the number  
756 of students for which funds were appropriated. If the commissioner  
757 determines that the enrollment is below such number, the additional  
758 funds shall not lapse but shall be used by the commissioner in  
759 accordance with this subsection. (1) Any amount up to five hundred



760 thousand dollars of such nonlapsing funds shall be used for  
761 supplemental grants to receiving districts on a pro rata basis for each  
762 out-of-district student in the program pursuant to subsection (c) of this  
763 section who attends the same school in the receiving district as at least  
764 nine other such out-of-district students, not to exceed one thousand  
765 dollars per student. (2) Any remaining nonlapsing funds shall be used  
766 for interdistrict cooperative grants pursuant to section 10-74d.

767 (l) For purposes of the state-wide mastery examinations under  
768 section 10-14n, students participating in the program established  
769 pursuant to this section shall be considered residents of the school  
770 district in which they attend school.

771 (m) Within available appropriations, the commissioner may make  
772 grants to regional education service centers which provide summer  
773 school educational programs approved by the commissioner to  
774 students participating in the program.

775 (n) The Commissioner of Education may provide grants for children  
776 in the Hartford program described in this section to participate in  
777 preschool and all day kindergarten programs. In addition to the  
778 subsidy provided to the receiving district for educational services,  
779 such grants may be used for the provision of before and after-school  
780 care and remedial services for the preschool and kindergarten students  
781 participating in the program.

782 (o) Within available appropriations, the commissioner may make  
783 grants for academic student support for programs pursuant to this  
784 section that assist the state in meeting the goals of the 2008 stipulation  
785 and order for Milo Sheff, et al. v. William A. O'Neill, et al., as  
786 determined by the commissioner.

787 Sec. 19. Subsection (a) of section 10-215b of the general statutes is  
788 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July*  
789 *1, 2009*):

790 (a) The State Board of Education is authorized to expend in each  
791 fiscal year an amount equal to (1) the money required pursuant to the  
792 matching requirements of said federal laws and shall disburse the  
793 same in accordance with said laws, and (2) [ten] five cents per lunch  
794 served in the prior school year in accordance with said laws by any  
795 local or regional board of education, the regional vocational-technical  
796 school system or governing authority of a state charter school,  
797 interdistrict magnet school or endowed academy approved pursuant  
798 to section 10-34 that participates in the National School Lunch Program  
799 and certifies pursuant to section 10-215f that the nutrition standards  
800 established by the Department of Education pursuant to section 10-  
801 215e shall be met.

802 Sec. 20. Subdivision (6) of subsection (a) of section 10-262h of the  
803 general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu  
804 thereof (*Effective July 1, 2009*):

805 (6) For the fiscal year ending June 30, 1996, and each fiscal year  
806 thereafter, a grant in an amount equal to the amount of its target aid as  
807 described in subdivision (32) of section 10-262f except that such  
808 amount shall be capped in accordance with the following: (A) For the  
809 fiscal years ending June 30, 1996, June 30, 1997, June 30, 1998, and June  
810 30, 1999, for each town, the maximum percentage increase over its  
811 previous year's base revenue shall be the product of five per cent and  
812 the ratio of the wealth of the town ranked one hundred fifty-third  
813 when all towns are ranked in descending order to each town's wealth,  
814 provided no town shall receive an increase greater than five per cent.  
815 (B) For the fiscal years ending June 30, 2000, June 30, 2001, June 30,  
816 2002, June 30, 2003, and June 30, 2004, for each town, the maximum  
817 percentage increase over its previous year's base revenue shall be the  
818 product of six per cent and the ratio of the wealth of the town ranked  
819 one hundred fifty-third when all towns are ranked in descending order  
820 to each town's wealth, provided no town shall receive an increase  
821 greater than six per cent. (C) No such cap shall be used for the fiscal  
822 year ending June 30, 2005, or any fiscal year thereafter. (D) For the

823 fiscal year ending June 30, 1996, for each town, the maximum  
824 percentage reduction from its previous year's base revenue shall be  
825 equal to the product of three per cent and the ratio of each town's  
826 wealth to the wealth of the town ranked seventeenth when all towns  
827 are ranked in descending order, provided no town's grant shall be  
828 reduced by more than three per cent. (E) For the fiscal years ending  
829 June 30, 1997, June 30, 1998, and June 30, 1999, for each town, the  
830 maximum percentage reduction from its previous year's base revenue  
831 shall be equal to the product of five per cent and the ratio of each  
832 town's wealth to the wealth of the town ranked seventeenth when all  
833 towns are ranked in descending order, provided no town's grant shall  
834 be reduced by more than five per cent. (F) For the fiscal year ending  
835 June 30, 2000, and each fiscal year thereafter, no town's grant shall be  
836 less than the grant it received for the prior fiscal year. (G) For each  
837 fiscal year prior to the fiscal year ending June 30, 2008, except for the  
838 fiscal year ending June 30, 2004, in addition to the amount determined  
839 pursuant to this subdivision, a town shall be eligible for a density  
840 supplement if the density of the town is greater than the average  
841 density of all towns in the state. The density supplement shall be  
842 determined by multiplying the density aid ratio of the town by the  
843 foundation level and the town's total need students for the prior fiscal  
844 year provided, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2000, and each fiscal  
845 year thereafter, no town's density supplement shall be less than the  
846 density supplement such town received for the prior fiscal year. (H)  
847 For the fiscal year ending June 30, 1997, the grant determined in  
848 accordance with this subdivision for a town ranked one to forty-two  
849 when all towns are ranked in descending order according to town  
850 wealth shall be further reduced by one and two-hundredths of a per  
851 cent and such grant for all other towns shall be further reduced by  
852 fifty-six-hundredths of a per cent. (I) For the fiscal year ending June 30,  
853 1998, and each fiscal year thereafter, no town whose school district is a  
854 priority school district shall receive a grant pursuant to this  
855 subdivision in an amount that is less than the amount received under  
856 such grant for the prior fiscal year. (J) For the fiscal year ending June

30, 2000, and each fiscal year through the fiscal year ending June 30, 2003, no town whose school district is a priority school district shall receive a grant pursuant to this subdivision that provides an amount of aid per resident student that is less than the amount of aid per resident student provided under the grant received for the prior fiscal year. (K) For the fiscal year ending June 30, 1998, and each fiscal year thereafter, no town whose school district is a priority school district shall receive a grant pursuant to this subdivision in an amount that is less than seventy per cent of the sum of (i) the product of a town's base aid ratio, the foundation level and the town's total need students for the fiscal year prior to the year in which the grant is to be paid, (ii) the product of a town's supplemental aid ratio, the foundation level and the sum of the portion of its total need students count described in subparagraphs (B) and (C) of subdivision (25) of section 10-262f for the fiscal year prior to the fiscal year in which the grant is to be paid, and the adjustments to its resident student count described in subdivision (22) of said section 10-262f relative to length of school year and summer school sessions, and (iii) the town's regional bonus. (L) For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2000, and each fiscal year thereafter, no town whose school district is a transitional school district shall receive a grant pursuant to this subdivision in an amount that is less than forty per cent of the sum of (i) the product of a town's base aid ratio, the foundation level and the town's total need students for the fiscal year prior to the fiscal year in which the grant is to be paid, (ii) the product of a town's supplemental aid ratio, the foundation level and the sum of the portion of its total need students count described in subparagraphs (B) and (C) of subdivision (25) of section 10-262f for the fiscal year prior to the fiscal year in which the grant is to be paid, and the adjustments to its resident student count described in subdivision (22) of said section 10-262f relative to length of school year and summer school sessions, and (iii) the town's regional bonus. (M) For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2002, (i) each town whose target aid is capped pursuant to this subdivision shall receive a grant that includes a pro rata share of twenty-five million dollars based on the difference

891 between its target aid and the amount of the grant determined with the  
892 cap, and (ii) all towns shall receive a grant that is at least 1.68 per cent  
893 greater than the grant they received for the fiscal year ending June 30,  
894 2001. (N) For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2003, (i) each town whose  
895 target aid is capped pursuant to this subdivision shall receive a pro  
896 rata share of fifty million dollars based on the difference between its  
897 target aid and the amount of the grant determined with the cap, and  
898 (ii) each town shall receive a grant that is at least 1.2 per cent more  
899 than its base revenue, as defined in subdivision (28) of section 10-262f.  
900 (O) For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2003, each town shall receive a  
901 grant that is at least equal to the grant it received for the prior fiscal  
902 year. (P) For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2004, (i) each town whose  
903 target aid is capped pursuant to this subdivision shall receive a grant  
904 that includes a pro rata share of fifty million dollars based on the  
905 difference between its target aid and the amount of the grant  
906 determined with the cap, (ii) each town's grant including the cap  
907 supplement shall be reduced by three per cent, (iii) the towns of  
908 Bridgeport, Hartford and New Haven shall each receive a grant that is  
909 equal to the grant such towns received for the prior fiscal year plus one  
910 million dollars, (iv) those towns described in clause (i) of this  
911 subparagraph shall receive a grant that includes a pro rata share of  
912 three million dollars based on the same pro rata basis as used in said  
913 clause (i), (v) towns whose school districts are priority school districts  
914 pursuant to subsection (a) of section 10-266p or transitional school  
915 districts pursuant to section 10-263c or who are eligible for grants  
916 under section 10-276a or 10-263d for the fiscal years ending June 30,  
917 2002, to June 30, 2004, inclusive, shall receive grants that are at least  
918 equal to the grants they received for the prior fiscal year, (vi) towns not  
919 receiving funds under clause (iii) of this subparagraph shall receive a  
920 pro rata share of any remaining funds based on their grant determined  
921 under this subparagraph. (Q) For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2005,  
922 (i) no town shall receive a grant pursuant to this subparagraph in an  
923 amount that is less than sixty per cent of the amount determined  
924 pursuant to the previous subparagraphs of this subdivision, (ii)

925 notwithstanding the provisions of subparagraph (B) of this  
926 subdivision, each town shall receive a grant that is equal to the amount  
927 the town received for the prior fiscal year increased by twenty-three  
928 and twenty-seven hundredths per cent of the difference between the  
929 grant amount calculated pursuant to this subdivision and the amount  
930 the town received for the prior fiscal year, (iii) no town whose school  
931 district is a priority school district pursuant to subsection (a) of section  
932 10-266p shall receive a grant pursuant to this subdivision that is less  
933 than three hundred seventy dollars per resident student, and (iv) each  
934 town shall receive a grant that is at least the greater of the amount of  
935 the grant it received for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2003, or the  
936 amount of the grant it received for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2004,  
937 increased by seven-tenths per cent, except that the town of Winchester  
938 shall not receive less than its fixed entitlement for the fiscal year  
939 ending June 30, 2003. (R) Notwithstanding the provisions of this  
940 subdivision, for the fiscal years ending June 30, 2006, and June 30,  
941 2007, each town shall receive a grant that is equal to the amount of the  
942 grant the town received for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2005,  
943 increased by two per cent plus the amount specified in section 33 of  
944 public act 05-245\*, provided for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2007, no  
945 town shall receive a grant in an amount that is less than sixty per cent  
946 of the amount of its target aid as described in subdivision (32) of  
947 section 10-262f. (S) For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2008, a grant in  
948 an amount equal to the sum of (i) the town's base aid, and (ii)  
949 seventeen and thirty-one one-hundredths per cent of the difference  
950 between the town's fully funded grant as described in subdivision (33)  
951 of section 10-262f, and its base aid, except that such per cent shall be  
952 adjusted for all towns so that no town shall receive a grant that is less  
953 than the amount of the grant the town received for the fiscal year  
954 ending June 30, 2007, increased by four and four-tenths per cent. (T)  
955 For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2009, a grant in an amount equal to  
956 the sum of (i) the town's base aid, and (ii) twenty-two and two one-  
957 hundredths per cent of the difference between the fully funded grant  
958 as described in said subdivision (33) of section 10-262f, and its base aid,

959 except that such per cent shall be adjusted for all towns so that no  
960 town shall receive a grant that is less than the amount of the grant the  
961 town received for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2008, increased by  
962 four and four-tenths per cent. (U) Notwithstanding the provisions of  
963 this subdivision, for the fiscal years ending June 30, 2010, and June 30,  
964 2011, each town shall receive a grant that is equal to the amount of the  
965 grant the town was entitled to receive for the fiscal year ending June  
966 30, 2009.

967 Sec. 21. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2009*) All appointing authorities in  
968 the executive branch, including, but not limited to, the boards of  
969 trustees of the constituent units of the state system of higher education  
970 and the Division of Criminal Justice, shall fully participate in the  
971 position establishment and refill process in the CORE-CT integrated  
972 personnel payroll system maintained by the state. The definition of  
973 "position" provided in section 5-196 of the general statutes shall  
974 include all unclassified and classified positions in the executive branch.  
975 Section 5-214 of the general statutes, as amended by this act, shall  
976 apply to all unclassified positions in the executive branch, including all  
977 positions in the constituent units of the state system of higher  
978 education and the Division of Criminal Justice.

979 Sec. 22. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2009*) The Governor may adjust  
980 appropriations for education grant programs in the fiscal years ending  
981 June 30, 2010, and June 30, 2011, in order to maximize federal funding  
982 available to the state, consistent with the relevant federal provisions of  
983 law, provided no town shall receive a grant pursuant to sections 10-  
984 262f to 10-262j, inclusive, as amended by this act, in either such fiscal  
985 year that is less than the amount of the grant the town was entitled to  
986 receive for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2009. The Governor shall  
987 present a plan, in accordance with the provisions of section 11-4a of the  
988 general statutes, to the joint standing committees of the General  
989 Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to education and  
990 appropriations and the budgets of state agencies for any adjustment  
991 pursuant to this section. Such plan shall take effect fifteen days

992 following receipt by said committees unless such plan is rejected by  
993 said committees.

994 Sec. 23. Section 5-214 of the general statutes is repealed and the  
995 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2009*):

996 Except in emergencies, natural disasters or for the purpose of  
997 qualifying for federal funding, no new position shall be created and no  
998 vacancies shall be filled in the classified service and unclassified  
999 service in the executive branch, in the constituent units of the state  
1000 system of higher education or in the Division of Criminal Justice until  
1001 the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management has certified to  
1002 the appointing authority that the position is necessary for carrying on  
1003 the work of the state in an efficient and business-like manner and any  
1004 necessary appropriation therefor has been made. The Secretary of the  
1005 Office of Policy and Management may delegate his duties under this  
1006 section to the Commissioner of Administrative Services.

1007 Sec. 24. Section 17a-2 of the general statutes is repealed and the  
1008 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2009*):

1009 (a) There shall be a Department of Children and Families which  
1010 shall be a single budgeted agency consisting of the institutions,  
1011 facilities and programs existing within the department, any programs  
1012 and facilities transferred to the department, and such other  
1013 institutions, facilities and programs as may hereafter be established by  
1014 or transferred to the department by the General Assembly.

1015 (b) Said department shall constitute a successor department to the  
1016 Department of Children and Youth Services, for the purposes of  
1017 sections 2c-2b, 4-5, 4-38c, 4-60i, 4-77a, 4-165b, 4a-11b, 4a-12, 4a-16, 5-  
1018 259, 7-127c, 8-206d, 10-8a, 10-15d, 10-76d, 10-76h, 10-76i, [10-76w,] 10-  
1019 76g, 10-94g, 10-253, 17-86a, 17-294, 17-409, 17-437, 17-572, 17-578, 17-  
1020 579, 17-585, 17a-1 to 17a-89, inclusive, 17a-90 to 17a-209, inclusive, 17a-  
1021 218, 17a-277, 17a-450, 17a-458, 17a-474, 17a-560, 17a-511, 17a-634, 17a-  
1022 646, 17a-659, 18-69, 18-69a, 18-87, 19a-78, 19a-125, 19a-216, 20-14i, 20-



1023 14j, 31-23, 31-306a, 38a-514, 45a-591 to 45a-705, inclusive, 45a-706 to  
1024 45a-770, inclusive, 46a-28, 46a-126, 46b-15 to 46b-19, inclusive, 46b-120  
1025 to 46b-159, inclusive, 54-56d, 54-142k, 54-199, 54-203 and in accordance  
1026 with the provisions of sections 4-38d and 4-39.

1027 (c) Whenever the words "Commissioner of Children and Youth  
1028 Services", "Department of Children and Youth Services", or "Council  
1029 on Children and Youth Services" are used in sections 2c-2b, 4-5, 4-38c,  
1030 4-60i, 4-77a, 4-165b, 4a-11b, 4a-12, 4a-16, 5-259, 7-127c, 8-206d, 10-8a,  
1031 10-15d, 10-76d, 10-76h, 10-76i, [10-76w,] 10-94g, 10-253, 17-86a, 17-294,  
1032 17-409, 17-437, 17-572, 17-578, 17-579, 17-585, 17a-1 to 17a-89, inclusive,  
1033 17a-90 to 17a-209, inclusive, 17a-218, 17a-277, 17a-450, 17a-458, 17a-474,  
1034 17a-511, 17a-634, 17a-646, 17a-659, 18-69, 18-69a, 18-87, 19a-78, 19a-125,  
1035 19a-216, 20-14i, 20-14j, 31-23, 31-306a, 38a-514, 45a-591 to 45a-705,  
1036 inclusive, 45a-706 to 45a-770, inclusive, 46a-28, 46a-126, 46b-15 to 46b-  
1037 19, inclusive, 46b-120 to 46b-159, inclusive, 54-56d, 54-142k, 54-199, 54-  
1038 203, the words "Commissioner of Children and Families", "Department  
1039 of Children and Families", and "Council on Children and Families"  
1040 shall be substituted respectively in lieu thereof.

1041 Sec. 25. Section 10-292o of the general statutes is repealed and the  
1042 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2009*):

1043 (a) For purposes of this section, "regional educational service center  
1044 leases" means the lease of a facility by a regional educational service  
1045 center for use in furnishing educational programs and services.

1046 (b) Each regional educational service center may apply for and  
1047 accept grants for regional educational service center leases as provided  
1048 in this section. Any regional educational service center desiring a grant  
1049 for a regional educational service center lease may vote to authorize  
1050 the regional educational service center to apply to the Commissioner of  
1051 Education for and to accept or reject such grant. Applications for a  
1052 regional educational service center lease grant shall be made on the  
1053 form provided and in the manner prescribed by the Commissioner of  
1054 Education.

1055 (c) The Commissioner of Education shall receive, review, approve  
1056 and disapprove applications for regional educational service center  
1057 lease grants under this section.

1058 [(d) The amount of the regional educational service center lease  
1059 grant approved by the Commissioner of Education under the  
1060 provisions of this section shall be the eligible percentage, as  
1061 determined in subsection (c) of section 10-285a, times the eligible lease  
1062 costs as determined by the Commissioner of Education. Grants  
1063 pursuant to this section shall be paid on a current year basis if the  
1064 regional educational service center files an application to lease a  
1065 facility with the Department of Education on or before August first of  
1066 each year. No such facility or portion thereof shall be eligible for a  
1067 grant under this section unless the local fire marshal has declared the  
1068 facility suitable for occupancy as a facility for use in furnishing  
1069 educational programs and services. Eligible costs pursuant to this  
1070 section shall be limited to the lease cost of the building, net of any  
1071 other costs. Grant payments shall be made as follows: Twenty-five per  
1072 cent of the estimated cost in October, twenty-five per cent of the  
1073 estimated cost in January, and the balance of the estimated cost in  
1074 April. The actual cost will be reported on or before September first  
1075 following the year of application in the end of school year report filed  
1076 by each regional educational service center. If the Commissioner of  
1077 Education determines that there has been an underpayment or  
1078 overpayment in a grant made pursuant to this section, the  
1079 commissioner shall calculate the amount of the underpayment or  
1080 overpayment and shall adjust the amount of the grant payment for the  
1081 fiscal year next following the fiscal year in which such underpayment  
1082 or overpayment was made. The amount of the adjustment shall be  
1083 equal to the amount of the underpayment or overpayment. If the  
1084 amount of the overpayment exceeds the grant payment for the fiscal  
1085 year next following the fiscal year in which such overpayment was  
1086 made, the regional educational service center shall, upon the request of  
1087 the commissioner, pay the department the difference. Any lease  
1088 pursuant to this section shall be for a period not to exceed twenty

1089 years. In no event shall the reimbursement pursuant to this section be  
1090 based upon a cost per square foot which exceeds the cost determined  
1091 to be reasonable by the Commissioner of Education. In the case of any  
1092 grants computed under this section, any federal funds or other state  
1093 funds received for such costs covered by the grant shall be deducted  
1094 from cost estimates prior to computation of the grant.  
1095 Notwithstanding the provisions of this section, for the fiscal years  
1096 ending June 30, 2004, to June 30, 2009, inclusive, the amount of the  
1097 grants payable to regional educational service centers in accordance  
1098 with this section shall be reduced proportionately if the total of such  
1099 grants in such year exceeds the amount appropriated for the purposes  
1100 of this section for such year.]

1101 Sec. 26. Section 4-124dd of the general statutes is repealed and the  
1102 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2009*):

1103 (a) There is established a Connecticut Allied Health Workforce  
1104 Policy Board which shall: [act in coordination with the Connecticut  
1105 Career Ladder Advisory Committee established pursuant to section 4-  
1106 124bb to:] (1) Monitor data and trends in the allied health workforce,  
1107 including, but not limited to, (A) the state's current and future supply  
1108 and demand for allied health professionals, and (B) the current and  
1109 future capacity of the state system of higher education to educate and  
1110 train students pursuing allied health professions; (2) develop  
1111 recommendations for the formation and promotion of an economic  
1112 cluster, as defined in section 32-4e, for allied health professions; (3)  
1113 identify recruitment and retention strategies for public and  
1114 independent institutions of higher education with allied health  
1115 programs; (4) develop recommendations for promoting diversity in the  
1116 allied health workforce, including, but not limited to, racial, ethnic and  
1117 gender diversity and for enhancing the attractiveness of allied health  
1118 professions; (5) develop recommendations regarding financial and  
1119 other assistance to students enrolled in or considering enrolling in  
1120 allied health programs offered at public or independent institutions of  
1121 higher education; (6) identify recruitment and retention strategies for

1122 allied health employers; (7) develop recommendations about recruiting  
1123 and utilizing retired nursing faculty members to teach or train students  
1124 to become licensed practical nurses or registered nurses; and (8)  
1125 examine nursing programs at public and independent institutions of  
1126 higher education and develop recommendations about the possibility  
1127 of streamlining the curricula offered in such programs to facilitate  
1128 timely program completion. For purposes of this section, "allied health  
1129 workforce" and "allied health professionals" means professionals or  
1130 paraprofessionals who are qualified by special training, education,  
1131 skills and experience in providing health care, treatment and  
1132 diagnostic services, under the supervision of or in collaboration with a  
1133 licensed practitioner, and includes, but is not limited to, physician  
1134 assistants, registered nurses, licensed practical nurses, certified nurse  
1135 assistants, home health aides, radiological technologists and  
1136 technicians, medical therapists and other qualified technologists and  
1137 technicians.

1138 (b) The board shall consist of the following members:

1139 (1) A member appointed by the speaker of the House of  
1140 Representatives;

1141 (2) A member appointed by the president pro tempore of the Senate;

1142 (3) A member appointed by the minority leader of the House of  
1143 Representatives;

1144 (4) A member appointed by the minority leader of the Senate;

1145 (5) The Commissioners of Public Health, Education and Higher  
1146 Education, or their designees;

1147 (6) The chairpersons and ranking members of the joint standing  
1148 committees of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters  
1149 relating to public health and higher education and employment  
1150 advancement, or their designees;

1151       (7) A representative of the Connecticut State Board of Examiners for  
1152       Nursing, established under section 20-88, who shall be appointed by  
1153       said board; and

1154       (8) A representative of the Connecticut Conference of Independent  
1155       Colleges, who shall be appointed by said conference.

1156       (c) Any member appointed pursuant to subsection (b) of this section  
1157       shall be a recognized expert in the field of allied health, finance,  
1158       economics or health facility management. All appointments to the  
1159       board shall be made no later than thirty days after October 1, 2004.  
1160       Any vacancy shall be filled by the appointing authority. The term of  
1161       each appointed member of the board shall be three years from the date  
1162       of appointment. The board shall select a chairperson from among its  
1163       members. Members of the board shall serve without compensation but  
1164       shall, within available appropriations, be reimbursed for expenses  
1165       necessarily incurred in the performance of their duties. The board shall  
1166       convene its first meeting not later than sixty days after October 1, 2004.

1167       (d) Not later than January 1, 2006, and annually thereafter, the  
1168       board shall submit a report on its findings and recommendations,  
1169       including recommendations for legislation to address allied health  
1170       workforce shortages in this state, to the joint standing committees of  
1171       the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to public  
1172       health and higher education and employment advancement, in  
1173       accordance with the provisions of section 11-4a.

1174       Sec. 27. Section 17b-733 of the general statutes is repealed and the  
1175       following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2009*):

1176       The Department of Social Services shall be the lead agency for child  
1177       day care services in Connecticut. The department shall: (1) Identify,  
1178       annually, existing child day care services and maintain an inventory of  
1179       all available services; (2) provide technical assistance to corporations  
1180       and private agencies in the development and expansion of child day  
1181       care services for families at all income levels, including families of their

1182 employees and clients; (3) study and identify funding sources available  
1183 for child day care including federal funds and tax benefits; (4) study  
1184 the cost and availability of liability insurance for child day care  
1185 providers; (5) provide, in conjunction with the Departments of  
1186 Education and Higher Education, ongoing training for child day care  
1187 providers including preparing videotaped workshops and distributing  
1188 them to cable stations for broadcast on public access stations, and seek  
1189 private donations to fund such training; (6) encourage child day care  
1190 services to obtain accreditation; (7) develop a range of financing  
1191 options for child care services, including the use of a tax-exempt bond  
1192 program, a loan guarantee program and establishing a direct revolving  
1193 loan program; (8) promote the colocation of child day care and school  
1194 readiness programs pursuant to section 4b-31; (9) establish a  
1195 performance-based evaluation system; (10) develop for  
1196 recommendation to the Governor and the General Assembly measures  
1197 to provide incentives for the private sector to develop and support  
1198 expanded child day care services; (11) provide, within available funds  
1199 and in conjunction with the temporary family assistance program as  
1200 defined in section 17b-680, child day care to public assistance  
1201 recipients; (12) develop and implement, with the assistance of the  
1202 Child Day Care Council and the Departments of Public Health, Social  
1203 Services, Education, Higher Education, Children and Families,  
1204 Economic and Community Development and Consumer Protection, a  
1205 state-wide coordinated child day care and early childhood education  
1206 training system (A) for child day care centers, group day care homes  
1207 and family day care homes that provide child day care services, and  
1208 (B) that makes available to such providers and their staff, within  
1209 available appropriations, scholarship assistance, career counseling and  
1210 training, [advancement in career ladders, as defined in section 4-  
1211 124bb,] through seamless articulation of levels of training, program  
1212 accreditation support and other initiatives recommended by the  
1213 Departments of Social Services, Education and Higher Education; (13)  
1214 plan and implement a unit cost reimbursement system for state-  
1215 funded child day care services such that, on and after January 1, 2008,

any increase in reimbursement shall be based on a requirement that such centers meet the staff qualifications, as defined in subsection (b) of section 10-16p; (14) develop, within available funds, initiatives to increase compensation paid to child day care providers for educational opportunities, including, but not limited to, (A) incentives for educational advancement paid to persons employed by child day care centers receiving state or federal funds, and (B) support for the establishment and implementation by the Labor Commissioner of apprenticeship programs for child day care workers pursuant to sections 31-22m to 31-22q, inclusive, which programs shall be jointly administered by labor and management trustees; (15) evaluate the effectiveness of any initiatives developed pursuant to subdivision (14) of this section in improving staff retention rates and the quality of education and care provided to children; and (16) report annually to the Governor and the General Assembly on the status of child day care in Connecticut. Such report shall include (A) an itemization of the allocation of state and federal funds for child care programs; (B) the number of children served under each program so funded; (C) the number and type of such programs, providers and support personnel; (D) state activities to encourage partnership between the public and private sectors; (E) average payments issued by the state for both part-time and full-time child care; (F) range of family income and percentages served within each range by such programs; and (G) age range of children served.

Sec. 28. Sections 4-124bb, 4-124cc, 10-76t to 10-76w, inclusive, and 31-11bb to 31-11ee, inclusive, of the general statutes are repealed. (Effective July 1, 2009)

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	July 1, 2009	10-217a(i)
Sec. 2	July 1, 2009	10-281(b)
Sec. 3	July 1, 2009	10-71(d)
Sec. 4	July 1, 2009	10-266m(a)(4)

Sec. 5	<i>July 1, 2009</i>	10-17g
Sec. 6	<i>July 1, 2009</i>	10-66j(f)
Sec. 7	<i>July 1, 2009</i>	10-76g(d)
Sec. 8	<i>July 1, 2009</i>	10-264l(c)
Sec. 9	<i>July 1, 2009</i>	10-16q(b)
Sec. 10	<i>July 1, 2009</i>	10-16p(e)
Sec. 11	<i>July 1, 2009</i>	10-16p(g)
Sec. 12	<i>July 1, 2009</i>	10-16p(b)
Sec. 13	<i>July 1, 2009</i>	10-66ee(c)
Sec. 14	<i>July 1, 2009</i>	10-264h(a)(1)
Sec. 15	<i>July 1, 2009</i>	10-264l(b)
Sec. 16	<i>July 1, 2009</i>	10-16s
Sec. 17	<i>July 1, 2009</i>	10-233c(g)
Sec. 18	<i>July 1, 2010</i>	10-266aa
Sec. 19	<i>July 1, 2009</i>	10-215b(a)
Sec. 20	<i>July 1, 2009</i>	10-262h(a)(6)
Sec. 21	<i>July 1, 2009</i>	New section
Sec. 22	<i>July 1, 2009</i>	New section
Sec. 23	<i>July 1, 2009</i>	5-214
Sec. 24	<i>July 1, 2009</i>	17a-2
Sec. 25	<i>July 1, 2009</i>	10-292o
Sec. 26	<i>July 1, 2009</i>	4-124dd
Sec. 27	<i>July 1, 2009</i>	17b-733
Sec. 28	<i>July 1, 2009</i>	Repealer section

**Statement of Purpose:**

To implement the Governor's budget recommendations.

*[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]*